Close-to-home Thanksgiving

Local farms offer a fresh take on the holiday meal

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Today's weather

Rain in the afternoon.

High: 51
Low: 38

Thursday: Chilly, 43 | 31
Friday: Cloudy, 47 | 39

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Metro&State

Cuyahoga County to add $5 to car registrations

Cuyahoga County Council approves a new $5 tax for vehicle registrations. **A8**

Nation&World

FDA warns of dangers from kratom supplement

The Food and Drug Administration warns consumers on the herbal supplement kratom, linking it to 36 deaths. **A10**

Business

CEO vows 'right answer very soon' for Tower City

The CEO of the company that bought The Avenue at Tower City Center 20 months ago doesn't want uncertainty about the prime downtown property to drag on much longer. **A12**

Sports

Tashaun Gipson glad to be gone from Browns

Former Browns safety Tashaun Gipson, who'll be in town with the Jaguars on Sunday, lays into the Cleveland front office. **B1**

Forum

New quandaries in our entertainment choices

Opinion: Revelations about the revolting behavior of powerful men in the entertainment industry have complicated things for cultural consumers, Ted Diadiun writes. **E1**

Diversions

Frank Caliendo recalls some bumps in the road

Frank Caliendo is known for his impressions, but nothing quite prepared him for the time he met John Madden at the Super Bowl. **P1**

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Stay limber, runners — lots of events ahead

Some of the area's best-known themed 5Ks and fun runs are scheduled in the chilly months ahead. See a list of 13 at **cleveland.com/entertainment.**

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Nuisance ordinances

Laws penalize those in crisis

Repeated 911 calls can bring fines, even evictions

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A bleeding Euclid woman ran to her neighbor's house after being attacked by her boyfriend.

A Bedford resident was worried her boyfriend was suicidal. A few months earlier, he had threatened to kill himself.

A young man in Lakewood overdosed on heroin twice within a span of a few weeks.

In each of these cases, someone punched in 911 on a telephone.

And in each of these situations, cases of domestic violence and mental health, such calls for help were deemed a "nuisance" by the city in which they took place. Those involved were fined or, in some cases, evicted.

In Cuyahoga County, 23 communities have what are known as criminal activity nuisance ordinances, or CANOs. These laws penalize property owners for repeated requests for emergency or police response, even if those calls involve domestic violence or mental health issues.

After so many strikes, cities declare properties nuisances and assess fines unless the problem is remedied. In many cases, this means evicting the tenant responsible for the 911 calls.

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An embrace in tragedy's wake

RICH PEDRONCELLI | ASSOCIATED PRESS

Two women hug outside Rancho Tehama Elementary School near Corning, California, where a gunman opened fire Tuesday. Authorities said the gunman, choosing targets at random, began shooting in the rural northern California town, killing four people at several sites and wounding others at the elementary school before police shot him dead. See story, Page A14

Analysis

Trump sends mixed signals to Asia allies

Whirlwind tour does little to reassure

Mark Landler
New York Times

Manila, Philippines — President Donald Trump vowed this week to reclaim the United States' role as a Pacific power. But as he wrapped up a marathon tour of Asia on Tuesday, Trump's mixed messages left allies unsure of the United States' staying power and fed a growing sense that China, not the United States, drives the agenda in the region.

Whether recruiting partners to confront North Korea even as he castigated them for trade abuses, or embracing China at the same time that he lined up a like-minded coalition to contain it, Trump was often a bewildering figure to countries that had already viewed the new president with anxiety.

"He's seen as more personable than the figure on Twitter, but these internal contradictions have not been worked out," said John Delury, an associate professor of Chinese studies at Yonsei University in South Korea. "Contrast that with the Chinese, who have this incredible consistency of message and are rising inexorably."

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ANDREW HARNIK | ASSOCIATED PRESS

President Donald Trump waves as he enters Air Force One after participating in the East Asia Summit in Manila, Philippines, on Tuesday.

Law enforcement

License plate scanners coming

Cleveland, 18 suburbs likely to get devices

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Controversial license-plate scanners that police use to catch criminals are expected to be installed at intersections in Cleveland and 18 suburbs by next summer.

The suburbs are Cleveland Heights, Euclid, Fairview Park, Garfield Heights, Independence, Lakewood, Lyndhurst, Maple Heights, Mayfield Heights, North Olmsted, Olmsted Township, Orange, Parma, Shaker Heights, Solon, South Euclid, Strongsville and Woodmere.

In addition, the independent police department serving Cleveland's University Circle neighborhood is expected to install the cameras.

Legislation to spend $870,338 to buy the cameras from Selex, ES was introduced Tuesday in Cuyahoga County Council and referred to the public works committee.

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U.S. Senate

Tax bill might end insurance mandate

GOP to add measure targeting Obamacare

Marcy Gordon
Associated Press

Washington — Senate Republicans are intent on scrapping the Affordable Care Act's requirement that Americans get health insurance, targeting a repeal of the individual mandate to help finance deep tax cuts in their tax overhaul.

The surprise renewal Tuesday of the failed effort to scrap the law's mandate came a day after President Donald Trump renewed pressure on GOP lawmakers to include the repeal in their tax legislation. It has sharp political stakes for Trump, who lacks a major legislative achievement after nearly 10 months in office.

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